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Education

George Mason University, Fairfax, VA

Ph.D., Economics, 2004

Dissertation, "Three Essays on Structure Induced Equilibrium and Tax Policy Change"

Chair: Richard Wagner

Clemson University, Clemson, SC

M.A., Economics, 1993 with concentrations in finance and environmental economics

B.S., Economics, 1991

Refereed Publications

[13] "Public Choice Lessons from the Wizarding World of Harry Potter" with Deyo and Podemska-Mikluch. *Journal of Private Enterprise*. *Forthcoming*.

[12] "Are Powerful Majorities Inefficient for Parties and Efficient for Taxpayers? A stochastic frontier analysis of budget maximization in the U.S." with Hughes and Campbell. *Public Finance Review*. 42: January 2014. 117-138.

[11] "Oyster Aquaculture in Alabama: a policy and economic analysis" with **student**, Weber. *Agrarian Frontiers: A Rural Study Review*. 1:1, (June) 2013. pp. 1-12. *Lead article*.

[10] "An International Comparison of School to Work Transition How Best to Evaluate Outcomes" with Sharland and Menon. *International Journal of Society Systems Science*. 5:2, 2013. pp. 99-112.

[9] "Which State Policies Lead to U.S. Firm Exits? Analysis with the Economic Freedom Index." With Campbell, Heriot, and Jauregui. *Journal of Small Business Management*. 50:1, Jan. 2012. pp. 87-104.

[8] "U.S. State Governments Are Not Leviathans: Evidence from the Economic Freedom Index" with Campbell. *Social Science Quarterly*. 92: 4, Dec. 2011. pp. 1057–1073.

[7] "A Futures Trading Experiment: An Active Classroom Approach to Learning," with Hunsader and **student**, Parker. *Journal of Economic and Finance Education*. 10:1, Summer 2011. pp. 10-27.

[6] "Heeding the Call: An Examination of Seminary Enrollment and the Business Cycle," with Hughes with **student**, Molinari *Applied Economic Letters* 18, 2011. pp. 433–437.

[5] "Corruption's Effect on Business Venturing within the United States," with Campbell. *American Journal of Economics and Sociology*. 68:5 November 2009. pp. 1135-1152.

[4] "A Classroom Experiment on Exchange Rate Determination with Purchasing Power Parity," with Rebelein, Schneider, Simpson, and Fisher. *Journal of Economic Education* 40:2, 2009. Spring. pp. 150–165.

[3] "State Fiscal Crises: Are Rapid Spending Increases to Blame?" with Stansel. *Cato Journal* 28:3, 2008. Fall. pp. 435–448.

[2] "Hunting the Whale: More Evidence on State Leviathans," with Campbell and Finney. *Southern Economic Journal* 74:2. 2007. October. pp. 566–580.

[1] "A Pitfall of New Growth Theory: Rhetoric, Rent Seeking, and the Semi-Informed Voter." *Journal of Private Enterprise* 22:1, 2006 Fall. pp. 147–167.

Refereed Editorial Articles

[4] "Internal and External Factors Affecting the Perception of Entrepreneurial Opportunities" *American Journal of Entrepreneurship*. 8:1, 2015 pp. i-iii.

[3] "Multiple measures of US entrepreneurial activity and classical liberal institutions" with Campbell and Rogers *Journal of Entrepreneurship and Public Policy*. 2:1. 2013. Pp 4-20.

[2] "A (Partial) Review of Entrepreneurship Literature Across Disciplines." with Campbell *Journal of Entrepreneurship and Public Policy*. 1: 2, pp. 183 – 199. 2012.

[1] "Empirical State of Microfinance: Where are those macro goals?" *American Journal of Entrepreneurship*. 5:2, Dec., 2012. Pp 2-25.

Other Published Work

[13] "With election over, Arkansas needs growth" Log Cabin Democrat. Nov. 13, 2014. <http://thecabin.net/interact/opinion/columns/2014-11-13/mitchell-election-over-arkansas-needs-growth>

[12] "Comparative Advantage and Trade with the Undead." In Economics of the Undead: Blood, Brains, & Benjamins (Whitman, Glen and James Dow eds.) Rowman-Littlefield. July 2014. With Deyo.

[11] "[Measures of entrepreneurship and institutions: a more formal robustness check](#)" Chapter in Entrepreneurial Action, Public Policy, and Economic Outcomes (Salvino, Tasto, Randolph eds.) Edward Elgar Publishing. July 2014. With Campbell and Rogers.

[10] "Donut and Dined: Labor Markets in the Simpsons." Chapter in *Economics of the Simpsons*. Josh Hall (ed.) Stanford University Press. May 2014.

[9] "What Would God's March Madness Look Like?" *Acton Commentary*. March, 18, 2014. <http://www.acton.org/pub/commentary/2014/03/19/what-would-god%E2%80%99s-march-madness-look>

[8] "Arkansas Marketplace Research: Small Group and Individual Health Insurance" Report to the Arkansas Insurance Commissioner. Sept, 2012. With Bratton and Puleo <http://hbe.arkansas.gov/MarketplaceResearch.pdf>

[7] "Are Arkansas Taxpayers Getting Value for Their Money?" Advance Arkansas Institute Policy Brief. November 2012. With Campbell.

[6] "Review of *Mostly Harmless Econometrics: An Empiricist's Companion*." *Monthly Labor Review*. [March 2010, Vol. 133, No. 3](#).

[5] *Study Guide for Principles of Modern Macroeconomics*, by Cowen and Tabarrok. Worth Publishers. Spring 2010.

[4] "My East German Adventure." *Forbes.com* Nov. 10, 2009. <http://www.forbes.com/2009/11/10/economics-communism-east-berlin-opinions-contributors-david-mitchell.html>

[3] "The Civil War Income Tax" in *The Political Lincoln: An Encyclopedia*. Finkelman and Herschok (Eds.) Washington, D.C.: CQ Press. 2008.

[2] "CFO" and "CEO" in the *Encyclopedia of Capitalism*. Syed B. Hussain (Ed.) Facts on File. 2004.

[1] Review of *Making Work Pay: The Earned Income Tax Credit and Its Impact on America's Families*. *Monthly Labor Review* 127:5 (May 2004). pp. 45.

Working Papers

"Actors Have Feelings Too: An Examination of Justice Climate Effects on Justice Actors" with Bernerth, Whitman, Tayler, and Walker. **Revise and Resubmit**

"State Fiscal Crises: States' Abilities to Withstand Recessions" with Stansel. **Mercatus Working Paper. Revise and Resubmit** Cited in *State Tax Notes*. Mentioned popular press: [McClatchy Washington Bureau](#), [The Fresno Bee](#), [The Island Packet](#), [Belleville News-Democrat](#), [The Bradenton Herald](#), [The Sun News](#), [Gulf Today](#) [Charleston Gazette](#).

Job History

<i>Associate Professor</i> , University of Central Arkansas	2014–Present
<i>Assistant Professor</i> , University of Central Arkansas	2011–2014
<i>Assistant Professor</i> , University of South Alabama	2007–2011
<i>Visiting Assistant Professor</i> , St. Mary's College of California	2004–2007
<i>Visiting Assistant Professor</i> , Washington and Lee University	2003–2004
<i>Lecturer</i> , California State University at Hayward	2000–2001
<i>Instructor and Graduate Research Assistant</i> , George Mason University	1996–2000 2001–2003
<i>Property Casualty Underwriter</i> , ITT Hartford	1994–1995
<i>Graduate Research Fellow in Environmental Economics</i> , Political Economy Research Center (PERC)	Spring 1994

Accounting Assistant, Deutsche Krankenversicherung (Germany) 1991–1992

Professional Affiliations

Director: *Arkansas Center for Research in Economics* 2013–Present
<http://uca.edu/acre>

Associate Editor: *American Journal of Entrepreneurship* 2011 - Present

State and Local Editor: *Journal of Entrepreneurship and Public Policy* 2013 - Present

Editorial Board: *American Journal of Entrepreneurship* 2009 - Present
Formerly *Southern Journal of Entrepreneurship*

Guest Editor: Microfinance, *Southern Journal of Entrepreneurship* 2010 - 2012

Editorial Board: Journal of Entrepreneurship and Public Policy 2010 - 2013

Teaching Experience

- Introduction to Macroeconomics
Traditional and Online versions
- Introduction to Microeconomics
- Intermediate Microeconomics
- Public Finance/Public Choice
- Econometrics
- Graduate Microeconomics
- International Economics
- Undergraduate/Graduate
Environmental Economics
- Undergraduate/Graduate Labor
Institutions
- Game Theory and Experimental
Economics
- Money, Credit, and Banking
- Economics of Public Issues

- Entrepreneurship and Innovation.
- Economics and Business of Sports

Mention in Popular Press

- Radio interview *Alice Stewart Show 96.5 FM*. Sept. 23, 2013.
- "Sentences Against Madison" *Marginalrevolution.com* Dec. 12, 2012
- "State Budgets: Rapid spending increases come home." *Ft. Worth Star-Telegram*. February 22, 2009.
- "High-tech jobs likely on rise in East Bay." *The Contra Costa Times*. April 24, 2005.
- "Building boom aids blue-collar jobs." *The Contra Costa Times*. April 24, 2005.

Research Presentations

- Regular presenter and discussant at annual meetings of the Southern Economic Association. More specifics available upon request
- Regular presenter and discussant at the annual meetings of the Association of Private Enterprise. More specifics available upon request

Legislative Testimony. Arkansas State Legislature, Public Health Welfare, and Labor Committee. Little Rock, AR Occupational Licensing and HB 1158. February, 12, 2015

Legislative Testimony. Arkansas State Legislature, Little Rock, AR. "Tax and Spending Policy," November 8, 2012.

Invited Presentation. "Introduction to Gamification for Entrepreneurs." EPIC, University of Central Arkansas, Conway, AR. Jan. 17, 2013.

Invited Poster. "Spatial Externalities: Non-Profit Homebuilding and Katrina Returnees." Bays and Bayous, Biloxi, MS Nov. 14, 2012.s

Pillar Speaker, "When Policy Helps Business but not Entrepreneurs." USASBE, New Orleans, LA. Jan.14, 2012.

Invited presentation. "Three Classroom Experiments with Clickers." NSF Workshop on Teaching Economics. College of William and Mary, Williamsburg, VA. May 2009.

Invited presentation. "Teaching Student Research—Dueling Economics or Sociology: A Field Experiment with Paintball." San Jose State University, San Jose, CA. February 2007.

Invited Presentation. "Auctions and Experiments in Undergraduate Teaching." Cal State Hayward, Hayward, CA. April 2004.

External Grants \$3,582,101, 12 grants, 8 organizations

(2015) The Institute for Justice, Rational Basis Project, PI	\$73,000
(2015) The Institute for Faith, Works, and Economics. Discussion Grant PI	\$ 750
(2014) Private Donors, Arkansas Center for Research in Economics, PI	\$3,300,000
(2013) Charles G. Koch Program Development Grant, PI	\$120,000
(2012) Charles G. Koch Student Programs Grant, PI	\$15,400
(2011) Charles G. Koch Student Programs Grant, PI	\$10,200
(2011) Advance Arkansas Institute: Economic Development Analysis, PI	\$ 5,700
(2011) Mississippi Alabama Sea Grant: Coastal Storms Program, PI	\$35,000
(2010) Charles G. Koch Student Scholarship Grant, PI	\$ 9,851
(2009) Charles G. Koch Speakers Grant, PI	\$ 5,700
(2005) Contra Costa Council, "The Precautionary Principle," Co-PI	\$ 6,000
(2004) Omicron Delta Epsilon, Economics Development Grant, PI	\$ 500

Awards

<u>Liberty Fund</u> , Invited Colloquium Participant, Responsibility in Corporate Governance, Ogden UT, \$900	2014
<u>Mercatus Foundation, Research Paper Award</u> , \$1,500	2012
<u>Independent Institute, Olive W. Garvey Faculty Essay Contest</u> , \$1500	2005
Third Prize, Faculty	
<u>Independent Institute, Olive W. Garvey Essay Fellowship</u> , \$2500	2001
First Prize, Student	
<u>Tax Foundation, Graduate Research Award</u> , \$2000	2000
<u>Kaplan Fellowship in Economics</u> , \$3000	2000
<u>Sarah Scaife Fellowship in Economics</u> , \$1500	1999
<u>Virginia Wastewater, Graduate Environmental Research Award</u> , \$500	1998
<u>George Mason University Economics Departmental Fellow</u> , full support	1996–2001

Service

<u>Hiring Committee</u> , 2 Positions, UCA College of Business	2014 -
<u>International Study Committee</u> , UCA College of Business	2012 - 2014
<u>Research Committee</u> , UCA College of Business	2012 - 2014
<u>Diversity Committee</u> , UCA College of Business.	2012 - 2013
<u>College of Business Outreach Committee, (ad hoc)</u>	2012 -
UCA College of Business	

Instituted "College of Business Days" to market the college to all students and to introduce students to college of business clubs.

<u>Investments Club Faculty Co-Advisor</u> , UCA College of Business	2011 - 2013
<u>FIPSE Committee</u> , University of Central Arkansas	2011 - 2012
<u>Economics Club Faculty Advisor</u> , University South Alabama	2008 - 2011
<u>Honors and Awards Committee</u> , USA Mitchell College of Business	2008 - 2011

Instituted and arranged for funding of new annual award in economics

<u>Vandu Paarv Parthu</u> , St. Mary's College and LaSallian Institute, Madurai, India	2005
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Boys Village Orphanage: construction work and English teaching

<u>State of the East Bay Economy</u>	2005
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Analyzed job growth overall and for blue-collar workers for a joint project with the *Contra Costa Times*

Refereeing

American Journal of Economics and Sociology, Journal of Economic Education, Southern Journal of Entrepreneurship, Southwest Decision Science Institute, Journal of Economics and Finance Education, Organizational Development Journal, Mercatus White Paper Series, Review of Law and Economics, International Journal of Society Systems Science.

Other Training

- ❖ Medical Expenditure Panel Survey (MEPS) Training. AHRQ, Gaithersburg, MD. Sept. 22-24, 2014.
- ❖ Logistic and Survival Analysis. Central Arkansas Statistical Association, Little Rock, AR. March 19 – 20, 2013.
- ❖ Best Practices in Teaching. Instructional Development Center. Conway, AR. Jan. 2013.
- ❖ Medical University of South Carolina, Bayesian Epidemiology in R, Charleston, SC April, 2012
- ❖ National Institute of Health, Workshop in Spatial Statistics, University Park, PA, July 2011
- ❖ EPA and The Nature Conservancy. GIS and Spatial Analysis. Durham, NC March, 2008.
- ❖ NSF Teaching with Experimental Economics Workshop, Williamsburg, VA, March, 2004.
- ❖ Inter-university Consortium for Political and Social Research, Ann Arbor, MI Summer Program in Quantitative Methods and Social Research, 2003 and 2006
- ❖ IFREE, Summer Graduate Student Workshop in Experimental Economics, Fairfax, VA, June, 2001 run by Nobel Laureate Vernon Smith

References

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